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In re Patent Application of:  
Heinz Schneider

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For: FORMULATION WHICH CAN BE  
ADMINISTERED GASTROINTESTINALLY,  
AND THE USE THEREOF

Examiner: M. L. McCormick

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 14, 2008, the time for a response to which has been extended to and through April 14, 2008. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.